

TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 29, 2001

MINUTES

Attendees: Mr. Larry Karsteadt Dr. Bob Eisenman Dr. William Teufel
Dr. David Hoyt Mr. Leonard Inch Dr. Ramon Johnson
Ms. Virginia Hastings Dr. Jay Goldman Ms. Barbara Duffy
Susan COX (for Blair Sadler) Dr. Judith Brill Ms. Donna Nicolaus
Ms. Bonnie Sinz

Absent: Dr. Tim Sturgill Dr. Babatunde Jinadu

STATEWIDE TRAUMA SYSTEM: Dr. Hoyt gave an overview of the national status of trauma care. Each of the trauma committee members provided input regarding critical components of a statewide trauma system (copy attached) to be used as a basis for designing the statewide system.

NEW MEMBERS: It was recommended that new members be added to the Trauma Advisory Group to assist with the establishment of a statewide trauma system. Recommendations included: a fire provider, a representative from the Trauma Resource Network, a legislative representative, hospital finance officer, and other specialists. The group will ask Interim Director Watson to appoint these members as appropriate.

TRAUMA DATA AD HOC GROUP UPDATE: Bonnie Sinz reported that, for initial data collection purposes, the Ad Hoc group defined the trauma patient based on common inclusion criteria currently used by California trauma registries, “admitted and seen by trauma surgeon with an ICD 9 code = 800-959, or death in the Emergency Department.” The Trauma Advisory Committee approved this definition for early data collection activities.

Bonnie also asked permission from the committee to utilize the Trauma Ad Hoc Group to research and develop the standardized reporting criteria as required in AB430:

By October 31, 2002, the authority shall develop criteria for the standardized reporting of trauma patients to local trauma registries. The authority shall seek input from local EMS agencies to develop the criteria. All local EMS agencies shall utilize the trauma patient criteria for reporting trauma patients to local trauma registries by July 1, 2003.

The project was approved with the final recommendation on the reporting criteria to be the responsibility of the Trauma Advisory Committee. Bonnie will report on the Ad Hoc Group's progress at each Trauma Advisory Committee meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2001, from 10:30 a.m. – 3:00

p.m., in San Diego.